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In the Specification

Please substitute the following paragraphs for the corresponding paragraphs being amended:

[0053] For example, the first, or suction-side, slot 58 illustrated in Figure 3 faces forward toward the leading edge in the vane suction side 50 for collecting a portion of the exhaust flow therein for discharge through the outer band. In Figure 4, the modified prow 74 is similarly configured for introducing the forward facing first slot 58 and is integral with the corresponding stern 76. And, in Figure 5 the modified prow 78 is also similarly configured for introducing the forward facing first slot 58 and is integral with the corresponding stern 80.

[0055] Figure 6 illustrates that the first slot 58 in the suction side of the vane may alternatively face aft toward the trailing edge, with the corresponding prow 82 including a lip 86 extending aft over most of the first slot 58 and is integral with the corresponding stern 84.